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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Zaid JAYYOSI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1624
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Application No.: 09/662,649) Examiner: S. Patel
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Filed: September 14, 2000)
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For: THERAPEUTIC USES OF DI-ARYL ACID DERIVATIVES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Response to Restriction and Election Requirements

In the Office Action dated June 6, 2001, the Examiner requested an election of claims in response to a restriction requirement, and an election of species in response to an election of species requirement. Applicants' elections, and traversals of each requirement, appear below.

I. Restriction requirement

The Examiner required restriction to one of twelve groups of claims as follows:

- Group I: compounds, compositions, and methods of use where Ar I, Ar II and Z are all non-heterocycle, and A and B are O or a chemical bond;
- Group II: compounds, compositions, and methods of use where Ar I is aryl, Ar II and Z are heterocycle, and A and B are O or a chemical bond;
- Group III: compounds, compositions, and methods of use where Ar I is heterocycle, Ar II is phenyl or non-heterocycle, Z is heterocycle, and A and B are O or a chemical bond;
- Group IV: compounds, compositions, and methods of use where Ar I and Ar II are heterocycle, Z is non-heterocycle, and A and B are O or a chemical bond;